

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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November 10, 2015

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER

AMENDMENT TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE TITLE 15: VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC SECTION 15.64.341 REGARDING PARKING RESTRICTION FOR VEHICLES FOR SALE ON CERTAIN STREETS IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF EAST LOS ANGELES, ATHENS/WESTMONT, AND WEST CARSON (SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1 AND 2) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

This action is to amend an existing ordinance prohibiting the parking of vehicles for sale on certain County of Los Angeles streets in the unincorporated communities of East Los Angeles, Athens/Westmont, and West Carson.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Find that the proposed amendment is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.
- 2. Find that based on studies conducted by the Department of Public Works, the following street segments in the County of Los Angeles have been identified as being impacted by one or more of the conditions described in the Los Angeles County Code Title 15, Section 15.64.340(I) (1)-(7), and should be added to Section 15.64.341:

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Carolina Place (East Los Angeles):

• Both sides of Carolina Place between its west terminus and Woods Avenue.

Woods Avenue (East Los Angeles):

• Both sides of Woods Avenue between Olympic Boulevard and Verona Street.

111th Place (Athens/Westmont):

• Both sides of 111th Place between Denker Avenue and Normandie Avenue.

228th Street (West Carson):

- Both sides of 228th Street between Normandie Avenue and the 110 Freeway.
- 3. Introduce, waive reading, and place on agenda for adoption the proposed ordinance that amends Title 15, Section 15.64.341, of the Los Angeles County Code to restrict the parking of vehicles for sale on certain streets in the unincorporated communities of East Los Angeles, Athens/Westmont, and West Carson.
- 4. Approve the ordinance amending Los Angeles County Code Title 15: Vehicles and Traffic, Section 15.64.341, to restrict the parking of vehicles for sale on certain streets in the unincorporated communities of East Los Angeles, Athens/Westmont, and West Carson.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to amend the existing ordinance to alleviate the problem of vehicles parking for the purpose of sale on County highways. The parking of vehicles for sale on County highways is a growing concern to residents due to the negative impact on the quality of life in the neighborhood.

<u>Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals</u>

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Integrated Services Delivery (Goal 3) as these actions will improve traffic safety along the described roadways and improve the quality of life for residents.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

There is a nominal cost associated with posting signs on the streets to restrict vehicles for sale included with this ordinance amendment.

Sufficient funds are included in the Road Fund Fiscal Year 2015-16 Budget to cover the minor costs of removing and installing the necessary signs and markings.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The County has experienced a proliferation of used vehicles being parked or left idle on public streets for the purpose of advertising or displaying such vehicles for sale, resulting in a negative impact on the County, its residents, and businesses.

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California Courts have ruled that a city or county may reasonably regulate the time, place, and manner in which its public streets are used for the sale of vehicles.

California legislature enacted Section 22651.9 of the California Vehicle Code authorizing cities and counties to remove and impound vehicles with for sale signs from designated streets or public lands.

On July 12, 2011, the Board amended Los Angeles County Code Title 15: Vehicles and Traffic, by amending Section 15.64.340 and adding Sections 15.64.341 to 15.64.343 to prohibit the parking of vehicles on certain streets in the County if the vehicle is parked for the primary purpose of advertising the vehicle for sale. The enclosed ordinance amends Section 15.64.341, the provision that identifies the locations where vehicle parking under the ordinance is prohibited. The ordinance amendment adds additional segments that have been identified by Public Works as being impacted by one or more of the conditions described in Section 15.64.340(l) (1)-(7).

The analysis of this ordinance amendment approved by County Counsel is enclosed.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The ordinance amendment of the parking restriction for vehicles for sale is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15301(c) of the CEQA Guidelines and Class-1(x) 7 of the Environmental Reporting Procedures and Guidelines adopted by the Board. These exemptions provide for establishing limitations on the use of County streets and highways authorized by law, such as, but not limited to, parking restrictions or prohibitions including the posting of regulatory and advisory signs.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

No impact on current services or projects is expected.

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CONCLUSION

Please return two adopted copies of this letter and copies of the ordinance to the Department of Public Works, Traffic and Lighting Division.

Respectfully submitted,

GAIL FARBER

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Office (Rochelle Goff) County Counsel (Sari J. Steel) Executive Office